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IN THE CLAIMS*The status of claims 1-26 is as follows:*

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1. (Currently Amended) ~~A peripheral~~ An image forming device control system comprising:  
a ~~peripheral~~ image forming device including a history information storage means for storing history information obtained by an image processing executed a plurality of number of times by said image forming device and including a user ~~identification~~ identification information of a user who used said ~~peripheral~~ image forming device, an operating mode of said ~~peripheral~~ image forming device and a number of sheets discharged from said ~~peripheral~~ image forming device;  
an information processing apparatus including history information acquisition means for transmitting a history information acquisition job to said ~~peripheral~~ image forming device and for acquiring said history information stored by said history information storage means, and storage means for storing said history information acquired by said history information acquisition means as a paper discharge counter table for ~~every~~ each operating mode of said ~~peripheral~~ image forming device,  
wherein said image forming device further includes transfer means for transferring said history information in accordance with said history information acquisition job to said image processing apparatus, and clearing means for clearing said history information stored by said history information storage means when said history information is transferred to said information processing apparatus.
2. (Currently Amended) ~~A peripheral~~ An image forming device control system according to claim 1, wherein said operating mode includes at least one of a paper size, a one-side/double-side printing mode, a toner color, and a paper type.
3. (Currently Amended) ~~A peripheral~~ An image forming device control system according to claim 1, wherein said ~~peripheral~~ image forming device comprises:  
job receiving means for receiving said history information acquisition job transmitted from said information processing apparatus; and

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transmission means for transmitting said stored history information according to said history information acquisition job received from said job receiving means.

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4. (Currently Amended) ~~A peripheral~~ An image forming device control system according to claim 1, wherein said ~~peripheral~~ image forming device comprises notification means for notifying said information processing apparatus of an amount of said history information stored by said history information acquisition means.

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5. (Currently Amended) ~~A peripheral~~ An image forming device control system according to claim 1, wherein said notification means notifies said information processing apparatus when said amount of history information reaches a predetermined amount.

6. (Currently Amended) ~~A peripheral~~ An image forming device control system according to any of claims 1 through 5, wherein said ~~peripheral~~ image forming device includes at least one of a printer function, a copying function, a facsimile function, and a scanner function.

7. (Currently Amended) ~~A peripheral~~ An image forming device, which is connected to an information processing apparatus through a network said ~~peripheral~~ image forming device comprising:

history information storage means for storing history information obtained by image processing executed a plurality of number of times by said image forming device and including a user identification information of a user who used said ~~peripheral~~ image forming device, an operating mode of said ~~peripheral~~ image forming device and a number of sheets discharged from said ~~peripheral~~ image forming device; and

history information transmission means for transmitting said history information stored by said history information storage means to said image processing apparatus in response to a history information acquisition job transmitted from said information processing apparatus;

transfer means for transferring said history information in accordance with said history

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information acquisition job; and

clearing means for clearing said history information stored by said history information storage means when said history information is transferred to said information processing apparatus.

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8. (Currently Amended) ~~A peripheral~~ An image forming device according to claim 7, wherein said operating mode includes at least one of a paper size, a one-side/double-side printing mode, a toner color, and a paper type.

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9. (Currently Amended) ~~A peripheral~~ An image forming device according to claim 7, further comprising:

job receiving means for receiving said history information acquisition job transmitted from said information processing apparatus; and

transmission means for transmitting said stored history information according to said history information acquisition job received from said job receiving means.

10. (Currently Amended) ~~A peripheral~~ An image forming device according to claim 7, comprising notification means for notifying said information processing apparatus of an amount of said history information stored by said history information storage means.

11. (Currently Amended) ~~A peripheral~~ An image forming device according to claim 10, wherein said notification means notifies said information processing apparatus when said amount of history information reaches a predetermined amount.

12. (Currently Amended) ~~A peripheral~~ An image forming device according to claim 7, wherein said ~~peripheral~~ image forming device includes at least one of a printer function, a copying function, a facsimile function, and a scanner function.

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13. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus connected to a ~~peripheral~~an image forming device having history information storage means for storing history information obtained by image processing executed a plurality of number of times by said image forming device and including a user ID~~identification information~~ of a user who used said ~~peripheral~~image forming device, an operating mode of said ~~peripheral~~image forming device, and a number of sheets discharged from said ~~peripheral~~image forming device, said information processing apparatus comprising:

history information acquisition means for transmitting a history information acquisition job to said ~~peripheral~~image forming device and for acquiring said history information stored by said history information storage means according to said history information acquisition job; and

storage means for storing said history information acquired by said history information acquisition means as a paper discharge counter table for ~~every~~each operating mode of said ~~peripheral~~image forming device.

14. (Original) An information processing apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said operating mode includes at least one of a paper size, a one-side/double-side printing mode, a toner color, and a paper type.

15. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said ~~peripheral~~image forming device comprises:

job receiving means for receiving said history information acquisition job transmitted from said information processing apparatus; and

transmission means for transmitting said stored history information according to said history information acquisition job received from said job receiving means.

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16. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus according to claims 13, wherein said peripheral image forming device includes at least one of a printer function, a copying function, a facsimile function, and a scanner function.

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17. (Currently Amended) A history information transmission method for a peripheral image forming device connected to an information processing apparatus through a network, said method comprising the steps of:

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storing history information obtained by image processing executed a plurality of number of times by said image forming device and including a user ID identification information of a user who used said peripheral image forming device, an operating mode of said peripheral image forming device, and a number of sheets discharged from said peripheral image forming device; and

transmitting said history information stored in said history information storage step to said information processing apparatus in response to a history information acquisition job transmitted from said information processing apparatus;

transferring said history information in accordance with a request sent from said information processing apparatus; and

clearing history information stored in said history information storage step when said history information is transferred to said information processing apparatus.

18. (Original) A method according to claim 13, wherein said operating mode includes at least one of a paper size, a one-side/double-side printing mode, a toner color, and a paper type.

19. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 17, further comprising the steps of:

receiving said history information acquisition job transmitted from said information processing apparatus; and

transmitting said stored history information according to said history information acquisition job received from said job receiving means.

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20. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 17, further comprising the step of:  
notifying said information processing apparatus of an amount of said history  
information stored.

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21. (Original) A method according to claim 20, wherein said notifying step is executed to  
notify said information processing apparatus when said amount of history information reaches  
a predetermined amount.

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22. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 17, wherein said ~~peripheral~~image  
forming device includes at least one of a printer function, a copying function, a facsimile  
function, and a scanner function.

23. (Currently Amended) ~~A peripheral~~An image forming device control method of controlling  
~~a peripheral~~an image forming device having history information storage means for storing  
history information obtained by image processing executed a plurality of number of times by  
said image forming device and including a user IDidentification information of a user who  
used said ~~peripheral~~image forming device, an operating mode of said ~~peripheral~~image forming  
device, and a number of sheets discharged from said ~~peripheral~~image forming device, said  
method comprising the steps of:

transmitting a history information acquisition job to said ~~peripheral~~image forming  
device, for acquiring said history information stored by said history information storage means  
according to said history information acquisition job; and

storing said history information acquired in said history information acquisition step as  
a paper discharge counter table for ~~every~~each operating mode of said ~~peripheral~~image forming  
device.

24. (Original) A method according to claim 23, wherein said operating mode includes at least  
one of a paper size, a one-side/double-side printing mode, a toner color, and a paper type.

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25. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 23, wherein said peripheral image forming device executes the steps of:

receiving said history information acquisition job transmitted from said information processing apparatus; and

transmitting said stored history information according to said history information acquisition job received.

26. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 23, wherein said peripheral image forming device includes at least one of a printer function, a copying function, a facsimile function, and a scanner function.

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